

Legal notice
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OPPORTUNITY TO OBJECT

Eldorado National Forest
Over-Snow Vehicle Use Designation
USDA Forest Service
Eldorado National Forest
Alpine, Amador, El Dorado, and
Placer counties, California

As the Responsible Official, Forest Supervisor, Laurence Crabtree has prepared a Draft Record of Decision (ROD) selecting Alternative 5 of the Eldorado National Forest Over-Snow Vehicle (OSV) Use Designation Project. Alternative 5 designates approximately 337,100 acres or approximately 55 percent of the National Forest System lands within the Eldorado National Forest as open for OSV use. Alternative 5 is responsive to public comments that identified important high elevation opportunities along the Sierra crest for both motorized and non-motorized backcountry winter recreation. Alternative 5 also designates 58 miles of groomed OSV trails on the existing Silver Bear Trail System.

The Final EIS and Draft Record of Decision are available for review on the Eldorado National Forest website at: www.fs.usda.gov/projects/eldorado/landmanagement/projects.

To obtain an electronic copy or hard copy, please contact Jennifer Marsolais, Forest Environmental Coordinator at jennifermarsolais@fs.fed.us or 530-642-5187.

This proposed decision is subject to objection pursuant to 36 CFR 218, Subparts A and B. Objections will only be accepted from those who submitted project-specific written comments during scoping or other designated comment period. Issues raised in objections must be based on previously submitted comments unless based on new information arising after the designated comment period(s). Objections must be submitted within 45 days following the publication of this legal notice in the Mountain Democrat. The date of this legal notice is the exclusive means for calculating the time to file an objection. Those wishing to object should not rely upon dates or timeframes provided by any other source. It is the objector's responsibility to ensure evidence of timely receipt (36 CFR 218.9).

Objections must be submitted to the reviewing officer: Randy Moore, Regional Forester, USDA Forest Service; **Attn: ENF OSV Project**; 1323 Club Drive, Vallejo, CA 94592, (707) 562-8737. Objections may be submitted via mail, FAX (707-562-9229), or delivered during business hours (M-F 8:00am to 4:00pm). Electronic objections, in common (.doc, .pdf, .rtf, .txt) formats, may be submitted to: objections-pacificsouthwest-regional-office@fs.fed.us with **Subject: ENF OSV Project**.

Objections must include (36 CFR 218.8(d)): 1) name, address and telephone; 2) signature or other verification of authorship; 3) identify a single lead objector when applicable; 4) project name, Responsible Official name and title, and name of affected National Forest(s) and/or Ranger District(s); 5) reasons for, and suggested remedies to resolve, your objections; and, 6) description of the connection between your objections and your prior comments. Documents may be incorporated by reference only, as provided for at 36 CFR 218.8(b).

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